AMENDMENT TO 3D QUARTER REPORT, CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), DELEGATION: NATIONAL SECURITY WORKING GROUP, TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY MAJORITY LEADER, TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1999

|   | Name of currency | Per diem            |  | Transportation      |  | Miscellaneous       |  | Total               |  |
|---|------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| Name and country                        |                  | Foreign<br>currency | U.S. dollar<br>equivalent<br>or U.S.<br>currency |
| Mitch Kugler: Russia Dennis McDowell:   | Dollar           |                     | 1,150.00   |                     | 5,319.02   |                     |  |                     | 6,469.02   |
| Russia                                  | Dollar           |                     | 1,150.00   |                     | 5,319.02   |                     |  |                     | 6,469.02   |
| Russia Delegation Expenses <sup>1</sup> | Dollar           |                     | 1,150.00   |                     | 5,319.02   |                     | 4,317.00   |                     | 6,469.02<br>4,317.00                             |
| Total                                   |                  |                     | 3,450.00   |                     | 15,957.06  |                     | 4,317.00   |                     | 23,724.06  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Funds appropriated for foreign travel under authority of S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977, for interpretation expenses for Staffdel Kugler while in Russia.

TRENT LOTT, Majority Leader, Oct. 14, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY DEMOCRATIC LEADER, TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1999

| Name and country                               | Name of currency     | Per diem            |  | Transportation      |  | Miscellaneous       |  | Total               |  |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|
|  |                      | Foreign<br>currency | U.S. dollar<br>equivalent<br>or U.S.<br>currency |
| Franz Wuerfmannsdorbler: United States Germany | Dollar Deutsche Mark |                     | 1,215.00   |                     | 1,110.64   |                     |  |                     | 1,110.64<br>1,215.00                             |
| Total  |                      |                     | 1,215.00   |                     | 1,110.64   |                     |  |                     | 2,325.64   |

TOM DASCHLE, Democratic Leader, Feb. 1, 2000.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, on behalf of the leader, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nomination on the Executive Calendar Executive Calendar No. 280.

I ask unanimous consent that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nomination appear at this point in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination was considered and confirmed, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

David J. Hayes, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

# MEASURES PLACED ON CALENDAR—S. 2081 AND H.R. 6

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I understand that S. 2081, introduced earlier today by Senator HATCH, is at the desk, and I therefore ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2081) entitled "Religious Liberty Protection Act of 2000."

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 6 is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A bill (H.R. 6) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the marriage penalty by providing for adjustments to the standard deduction, 15 percent rate bracket, and earned income credit and to repeal the reduction of the refundable tax credit.

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

### ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2000

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 23. I further ask consent that on Wednesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and there then be a period for the transaction of morning business until 11:30 a.m., with the first 45 minutes under the control of Senator DASCHLE, or his designee, and the next 45 minutes under the control of Senator THOMAS, or his designee.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### PROGRAM

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will conduct a period for the transaction of morning business until 11:30 a.m. Following morning business, it is anticipated that the Senate could turn to any other Legislative or Executive Calendar items cleared for action, including the education savings account bill. Therefore, votes may be anticipated and Members are reminded that a vote will occur at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday.

## ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:06 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, February 23, 2000, at 10 a.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate February 22, 2000:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOHN EDWARD HERBST, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF UIZBEKISTAN.

PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN.

HOWARD FRANKLIN JETER, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

A. ELIZABETH JONES, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY